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March 20, 2013

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim:

Transmitted herewith are proposed changes to the FB 2013-15 Biennium Budget for the Departments of Budget and Finance (B&F); Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT); and the University of Hawaii (UH).

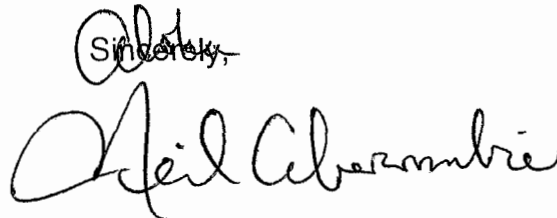
Your favorable consideration is requested for the attached budget items and provisos:

- B&F:
 - Adds \$61,000 in special funds for FY 14 and \$3,919,000 in special funds for FY 15 for the expansion and renovation of the Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) Oahu office. This request will replace the amounts originally requested in the Executive Budget request.
 - Reduces \$2,615,870 in special funds for FY 14 and \$299,630 in special funds for FY 15 to delete the amounts originally requested for the expansion and renovation of PUC's Oahu office. This request will eliminate the original amounts requested in the Executive Budget submittal.
- DBEDT CIP:
 - Adds \$20,000,000 in general obligation bond funds in FY 14 for Transpacific Landing Stations, Broadband Infrastructure Deployment, Statewide.
- UH:
 - Tradeoff/transfer of funds (cost neutral) within UH West Oahu (UHWO) for FY 14 and FY 15 that were not included in the Executive Budget request.

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- Tradeoff/transfer of funds (cost neutral) within UH Community Colleges for FY 14 and FY 15 that were not included in the Executive Budget request.
- Tradeoff/transfer \$270,000 in special funds in FY 14 and FY 15 for UHWO to reflect lease financing payments related to the federal Employment-Based: Fifth Preference (EB-5) financing agreement for the UHWO Administration Building. Funding authorization is from other current expenses; cost neutral.
- Budget Provisos:
 - Adds three provisos to establish lapse dates for non-general fund capital improvement appropriations deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and/or reimbursement in prior budget acts.

Your staff may contact the appropriate agency for additional information. Your understanding and assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

Attachment

c: Honorable David Y. Ige